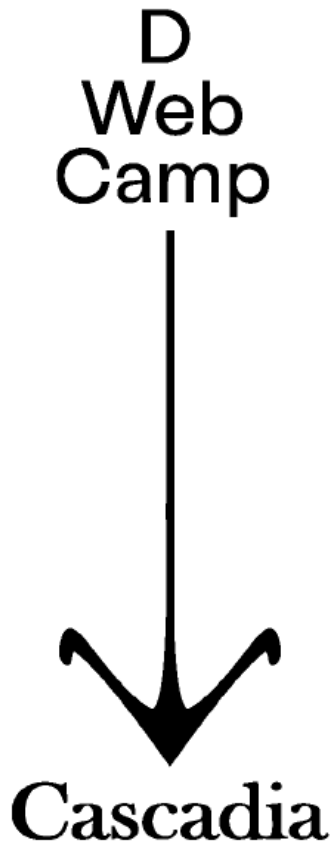




CAMP BOOKLET AND SCHEDULE 2025

AUG 8 – 10 , 2025

Salt Spring Island Farmers' Institute
351 Rainbow Road, Salt Spring Island

Welcome to DWeb Camp Cascadia 2025!

The information hub for camp is the **Volunteer Center**.

Please check whiteboards daily for general messages.

Camp Information

Safety and First Aid	Volunteer center. First Aid kit is located there.	Lost and Found	Volunteer Center
First Aid Kit	Located at the volunteer center.	Fire Safety	Campfire ban Camp stoves permitted in the camping area.
Emergency	Call 911 immediately Lady Minto Hospital is located 5 min drive away at 135 Crofton Road	Service Dogs	Leashed and under control service dogs are welcome. Leave pets at home.
Waste Management	Drop off garbage and compost bags daily to Laurie's Garbage & Recycling at 124 Lee Rd, Salt Spring Island. Closes at 4pm. Closed on Sunday. The account is under Emily McGill / DWeb Camp Cascadia. Monday, take recycling to the Recycling Depot at Tin Can Alley. Recycling is free.	Parking	Park in the main lot adjacent to Tin Can Alley. RV, car camping and vans enter from Rainbow Road. See map 15 for the RV gate. Exhibition Hall parking for campers with accessibility needs.
Internet Access	Guest network password: HelpLocalFarmers	Quiet Time	Starts at 10pm in the campground

Co-Leads

Need an answer to a question, ask the co-lead for that domain.

A/V: David L

Camping: Ivar, David

Discord Admin: Boris

Event Production: Yas

Food: Ivar

Finance: Boris

Programming and Speaker Support: Yas, Nigini

Discovery Night: Danny, Alex

Set-up & Strike: Domain Leads

Sponsorships: Boris

Unconference: LX

Venue: Yas

Network & Web Team: Jacob, Boris

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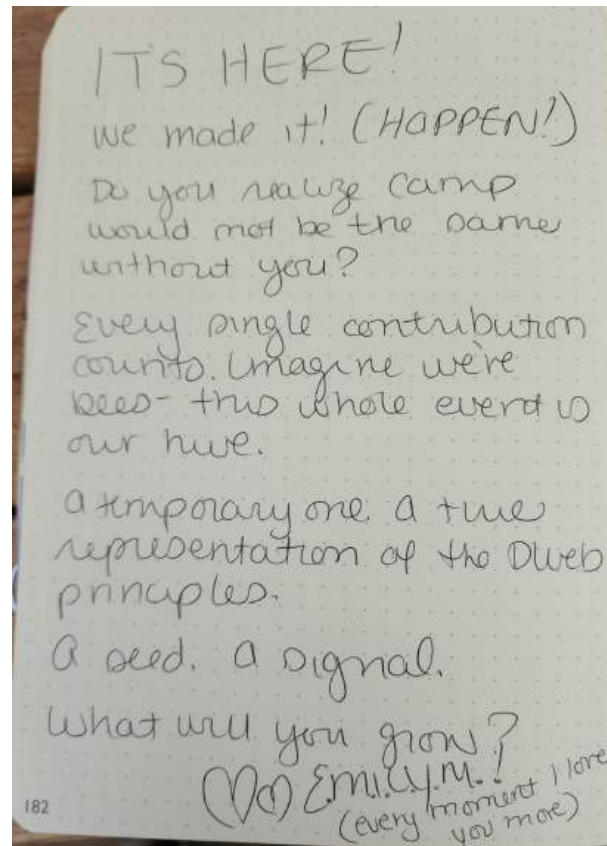
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Message from Emily



Code of Conduct

The regional DWeb Camp Cascadia event follows a modified version of the DWeb Camp Code of Conduct. The original form can be found online at dwebcamp.org/conduct/

1. Overview

- The Decentralized Web Camp Cascadia is an event that brings together a community of professionals and enthusiasts from a broad region. It is a space inclusive of persons of all backgrounds, orientations and identities. Dialogue, mutual respect and sharing are at the foundation of the decentralized web community and we expect all participants to follow these values. These guidelines help us establish collective trust and engage in productive deliberation.
- Your safety and comfort are our priority. If you have questions or concerns at any point before, during or after the conference, connect with an organizer who will direct you to the correct person to ask, or ask at the Volunteer Center. [You can also report an incident through this form.](#) Accessible via the QR code here →
- These guidelines apply to all spaces, real and virtual, during the Camp as well as during setup and tear down.



2. Expected Behavior

Respect

All participants and event staff should strive to treat each other with dignity and respect, regardless of gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, age, and religion.

- Respect the privacy—both physical and digital—of others.
 - If you want to take a picture, make sure you have consent from the participants. Wearing a red lanyard signifies people who have asked not to be photographed.
- Follow the [Chatham House Rule](#) when mentioned, i.e. *“When a meeting, or part thereof, is held under the **Chatham House Rule**, participants are free to use the information received, but neither the identity nor the affiliation of the speaker(s), nor that of any other participant, may be revealed.”*

Collaboration

- Be open to new ideas and learning from others—we are stronger when we share.
- In moments of strong disagreement, we ask participants to "agree to disagree," stay focused on the goals of the session or discussion, and move on to address shared needs and shared opportunities.
- We encourage all present to make it a point where possible to talk to strangers and those you know less well, as they are hopefully friends you have not yet met.

Inclusion

- When in doubt, mingle! We all have different perspectives that can help each other in worthwhile and unexpected ways.
- In this spirit, avoid jargon, acronyms and complicated phrasing whenever possible.
- Everyone at the Decentralized Web Summit should feel included and it is to everyone's advantage to be mindful and productively engaged with people from a variety of cultural contexts, communities and regions.
- Follow the "Rule of 1" and the "Rule of n": When you speak, make 1 point and then let others speak, and when in a group of "n" people, speak "1/nth" of the time.

Communication

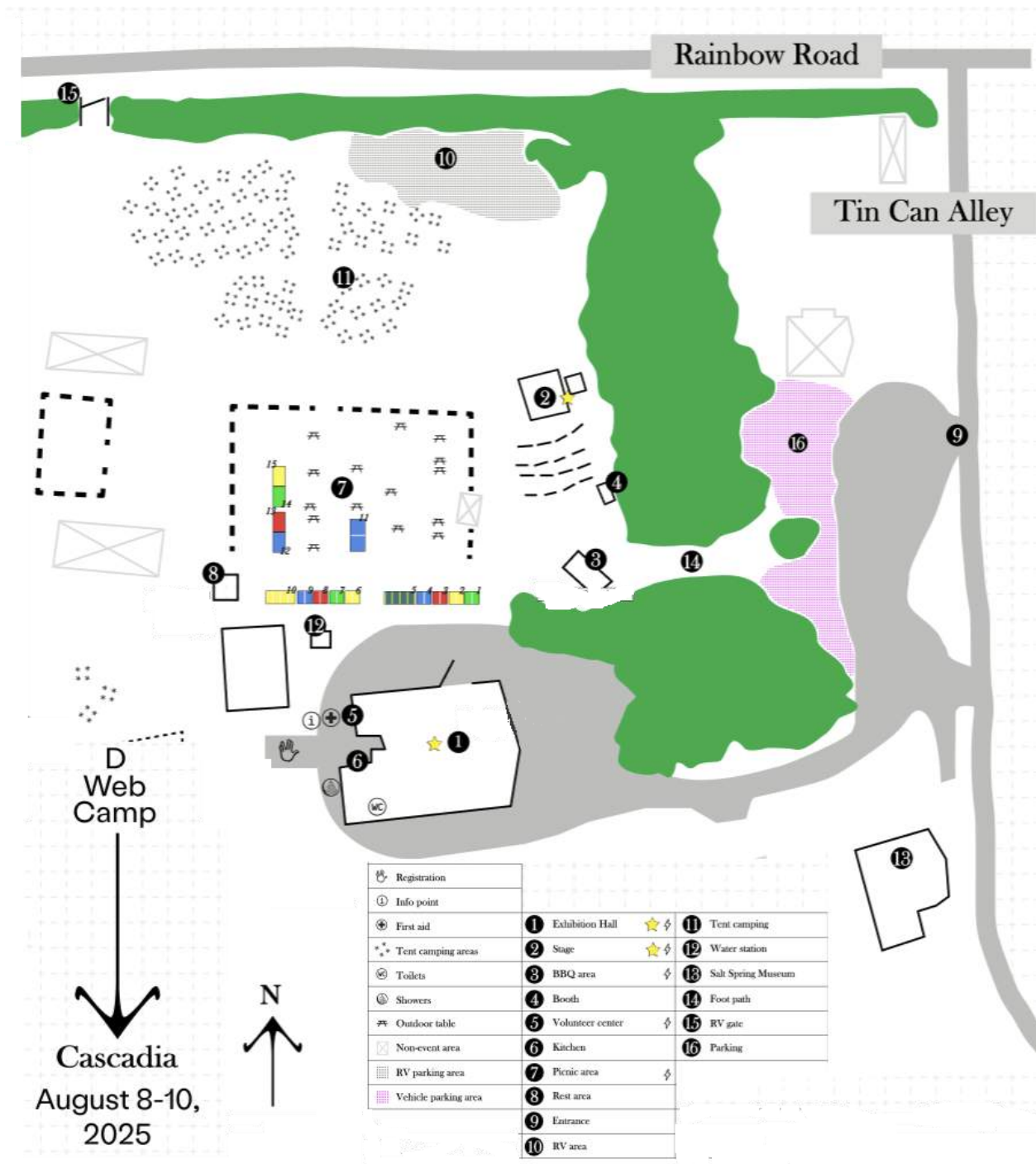
- When listening to input and comments of others, start by assuming the most benign interpretation and the best intention of the speaker. If comment is phrased in a way that might be misinterpreted, ask for clarification of the statement or intent. If the comment is discomforting (or hostile), please reach out to an event organizer.
- Whether in panels or in informal conversation, be mindful not to interrupt others. Listen actively and others will return in kind.
- Avoid grandstanding whenever possible and allow others to participate. The more concise and relatable your point is, the greater impact it will have on other participants.

3. Unacceptable Behavior

- We will not tolerate predatory behavior or disregard for other persons, either personally or professionally, from or towards anyone—be it speakers, staff or participants.
- We will not tolerate harassment in any form. This includes the use of racial or other slurs, regardless of context.
- If you are being harassed, you notice that someone else is being harassed, or have any other concerns, please contact an event organizer or use prudence and attempt to mitigate the action yourself. Do not resort to physical contact except in self defense.
- Those who violate our code of conduct may be warned, sanctioned, or expelled at the discretion of the organizers with no refund.

See the full Camp Code of Conduct online at dwebcamp.org/conduct/

Map



Day By Day Schedule

Friday, August 8

11AM

Visit Salt Spring Island Museum

Visit the Salt Spring Island Museum at entrance, the small historic building with the white picket fence has an excellent collection of artifacts. They are open on Friday August 8th from 11 AM to 3 PM. No admission charge.

12PM

Gates Open

Campers are welcome to arrive and start setting up their tents.

4PM

Camp Welcome and Opening

DWeb Camp Cascadia Camp Welcome. Our weekend begins with a land acknowledgment and shifts into introducing this year's theme, code of conduct and house keeping. Make the most of the next three days of connection, conversation, and collaboration in nature and around shared meals.

DWeb Principles and Global Node Weaving

Explore the core values that shape the decentralized web —technology for human agency, distributed benefits, mutual respect, humanity, and ecological awareness. Mai grounds the DWeb Principles in real-world context, asking how they show up in community tech, governance, and practice. The DWeb is more than a tech stack—it's a growing global community with diverse roles to play.

Saanich–Gulf Islands Welcome

We're honoured to welcome Elizabeth May, Member of Parliament for Saanich–Gulf Islands to the first-ever DWeb Camp Cascadia — taking place right here in her riding. Elizabeth is a tireless advocate for environmental stewardship, grassroots democracy, and community-driven change.

8PM

Music Jam

Bring an instrument or borrow one. Calling musicians to gather, decide on a format (covers, free jam), and communicate about what everyone wants to get out of the session. Take turns choosing songs, making time for socializing, and most importantly, relax, be supportive and inclusive of all musical abilities and have fun!

Local-first Hack Night

Let's get started with building local-first webapps that work offline and run on our local network.

Saturday, August 9

7:45 AM

Hatha Yoga

Start your day with Yoga for the Soul. Mats provided.

9AM

Breakfast

10:30AM

Software Unplugged: An Introduction to Local-First

Local-First software ("LoFi") is an approach to software that boasts many advantages over the cloud, from enhanced privacy to improved collaboration without relying on the network or a specific host. This promises more user agency, lowers barriers to entry, and adds new degrees of freedom, but comes with new constraints and challenges. In this talk, Brooke will explore the state of LoFi today, what we can learn from its successes, and what comes next.

11AM

Democracy In Action

Exploring what democratization looks like in practice—from activism and civic participation to solidarity and digital literacy. Through small group dialogue, participants will reflect on power, equity, and the tools we need to build more inclusive systems. Join us for a grounded, action-oriented conversation on doing democracy together.

12PM

Sharing Space, Sharing Lives

What's possible for sharing space for our DWeb community? A community talk exploring how we co-inhabit land and infrastructure—from communal homes to open tech labs to forest cooperatives. We'll hear from existing projects and ask what's possible, together, including the future for DWeb Camp in Cascadia.

Saturday, August 9 continued

12:30PM

Meshtastic Demo

Get hands-on with a few different meshtastic radios and learn how they work. Dive into the world of off-grid communication with a hands-on introduction to mesh networks using Meshtastic devices. This session explores how low-power, peer-to-peer tools can enable resilient, local-first messaging—ideal for remote camps, community organizing, or disaster response.

12:30PM

OpenCivics Community Talk

Salt Spring Island Local Civics talk on the SSI community commons and civic activation and innovation efforts.

1PM

Lunch

2PM

Unconference

Co-create with two days of unconference. In true decentralized spirit, campers propose and decide the agenda and topics —anything you want.

4PM

Discovery Night

Discovery Night is your opportunity to showcase your DWeb project & discover what others in the community are working on. We welcome all types of decentralized projects, whether you're building a tech solution that helps build a more open, resilient, and equitable internet or making community-driven DWeb initiatives happen like cooperative housing, urban farming, or local resource sharing systems.

4:30PM

Lightning Talks

Democratizing Education in Every Country

NextGenU.org provides free education starting at the 1st grade level all the way to PhD. Come learn from the founder about this invention with global adoption and impact.

Saturday, August 9 continued

Decentralized Search

Decentralizing search – paths forward and my dweb exploration

This session explores search engine centralization, focusing on Google and three paths forward with varying degrees of centralization. The discussion is based on a term paper on Search Engines and Society, driven by a desire to understand the values behind decentralized web (dWeb) technologies. We'll wrap up with space for others to share their own journeys or questions around dWeb and search.

Internet Archive Canada and YOU

Learn about the Internet Archive Canada's role in the global Our Future Memory campaign to secure digital rights for libraries and memory institutions and more.

DWebbify Your Content

Wondering how DWeb fits in with enterprise content strategy? What are CIDs? Come with questions, we'll give you answers!

8PM

Dancing and More

Sunday, August 10

7:45 AM

Hatha Yoga

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9AM

Breakfast

10AM

Regenerative Agriculture Forum

Regional farmers and land stewards share their lived experience with regeneration in practice—from food sovereignty and soil health to cultural reciprocity and intergenerational planning. Learn what it means to grow systems that heal land and community.

11AM

Open Social Web: An Open Conversation

We are living a transformative moment in the ways we socialize using web tools. The platforms are crumbling (yay!) but we need to invent and create the new ways. And that is where many players on the Open Social Web gets to action: the Fediverse, BlueSky and Nostr are some of them and we want to invite you to engage with their ideas.

Sunday, August 10 continued

11:30AM

Introduction to Hex.Camp

The Hex.Camp open source project is building software tools and web hosting infrastructure for individuals and groups to enrich their local communities. The core idea is a unique system for geographically organizing web sites, where each site is one of trillions of hexagons arranged on the world map. Combined with traditional and cutting edge web tools, communities can build online places to communicate, collaborate and archive. A non-profit governance model means that each community can be independent and self-reliant.

12PM

DWeb and Its Community Boundaries

The DWeb community has grown organically since the first DWeb Summit — with the publication of the DWeb Principles in 2021 defining the network's shared values — with now over 800 people who have participated or attended in DWeb events over the past 9 years. However, there have been some apparent rifts surrounding values alignment, leading to conflicts that may point to more fundamental fissures in the community. How do we reckon with differing ideological alignments, and balance the tension between DWeb being an open and dynamic space for dialogue and being a safe, trustful one of close affinities?

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Lunch

2PM

Unconference

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Preserving & Reimagining Democracy: Navigating the Crisis, Co-Creating the Future

A participatory workshop exploring the crisis of democracy and how emerging technologies like AI and decentralized systems can be harnessed to preserve and reinvent self-governance. Together, we'll map challenges, imagine new democratic architectures, and co-create concepts that foster resilience, vitality, and collective agency.

4PM

Open Time

Choose your own adventure: swim, hike, nap, relax, or connect informally. This space is designed for you.

Entelechy Eco-Village

Come tour of a local eco-village on Salt Spring Island!

Sunday, August 10 continued

Explore Burgoyne Bay

Let's head over to Burgoyne Bay to explore a sliver of Salt Spring's forests, boulders and perhaps go for a swim!

6PM

Poutine Party

Enjoy locally sourced falafel, salads, and kebabs – with Quebecois cheese curds at the red food cart

7:30PM

Open Mic and Closing

Express yourself—music, poetry, storytelling, comedy, performances, or something completely unexpected. Come celebrate community creativity under the stars, with a mic and a welcoming vibe. Don't be shy, campers are a friendly, encouraging bunch of people and light-heartedness is most welcome!

Monday, August 11

8AM

Breakfast to go and packing up

Pick up a breakfast to go at the Volunteer Center. Help each other pack up our tents and let's leave the site better than we found it.

10AM

Exit, thank you so much for being part of our inaugural DWeb Camp Cascadia!!

Travel Information

Monday Aug 11 Non-Stop Ferry Departures

Vancouver The non-stop ferries run at 2pm and 2.45pm ferry leaving Long Harbour. Vehicles should book ahead of time at <https://www.bcf ferries.com/book-sailings>. Arrive one hour early.

Victoria Ferries to Swartz Bay on Vancouver Island leave at 12:50pm, 2:35PM, 4:20PM, 6:00PM, 7:40PM and 9:15 PM. No advanced reservations needed.

Headed to Vancouver Island? Ferry leaves Vesuvius at 10:50, noon, 1:45pm, 3pm, 4.15, 5:30, 8:30 and 9:30. No advanced reservations needed. Arrive 30 minutes early.

Event Accommodations

Ruckle Park Camping 58 first come, first served camp sites . Flat fee and allow multiple tents. . Park rangers visit your camp site in-person to collect the fee.

Painted Turtle Guesthouse Hostel rooms may be available at an affordable price in Nanaimo for campers who want to explore Vancouver Island.

Sponsors

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